

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Peter Melchior et al.

Application No.: 09/981,645

Filed: October 16, 2001

For: FACILITATING SELLER  
FINANCING AND ADVANCE  
PAYMENT FOR SELLERS IN A FULL  
SERVICE TRADE SYSTEM

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 7543

Examiner: Harish T. Dass

Technology Center/Art Unit: 3692

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed December 24, 2008 on the above-referenced application, the time for reply being extended to June 24, 2009 by the petition for extension of time submitted herewith, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A Request for Continued Examination is submitted herewith.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.